<u>IN THE CLAIMS</u>:

Please cancel Claims 2, 6, 10, 14, 18 and 22 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, and please amend the claims as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A data processing apparatus that ~~is adapted to~~ communicate<u>s</u> data through a network to each of a plurality of computers and a plurality of peripheral devices connected to the network, comprising:

display means for displaying the plurality of computers and the plurality of peripheral devices as symbol information, respectively, on a display screen;

first discriminating means for discriminating, from the plurality of computers, <u>at least one computer that has a server function;</u>

<u>second discriminating means for discriminating, from the at least one computer discriminated by said first discriminating means,</u> a license management server computer that is used by said data processing apparatus and has a license server function for issuing a predetermined license to ~~at least one of~~ said data processing apparatus ~~and any other of the plurality of computers~~; and

first control means for controlling said display means to display as a visual symbol the license management server computer discriminated by said ~~first~~ <u>second</u> discriminating means such that the license management server computer may be distinguished from ~~one or more of the plurality of~~ computers that <u>do not have the license server function</u> ~~receive the predetermined license from the license management server computer on the display screen~~.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim [[2]] 1, further comprising:

third discriminating means for discriminating, from the plurality of computers, a server device having an image input server function which may be used by said data processing apparatus;

third second control means for controlling the server device discriminated by said third discriminating means such that the server device may be identified from other devices on the display screen;

selecting means for selecting a symbol on the display screen; and

service supplying means for supplying a common service to each of the a plurality of licensee computers to which the predetermined license has been issued from the license management server computer, when the license management server computer and the server device have been selected by said selecting means.

4. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the common service which is supplied by said service supplying means includes a distribution service for distributing a same data to each of the licensee computers.

5. (Currently Amended) A data processing apparatus that is adapted to communicates data through a network to each of a plurality of computers and a plurality of peripheral devices connected to the network, comprising:

display means for displaying the plurality of computers and the plurality of peripheral devices, respectively, on a display screen;

first discriminating means for discriminating, from the plurality of computers, <u>at least one computer that has a server function;</u>

<u>second discriminating means for discriminating, from the at least one computer discriminated by said first discriminating means,</u> a license management server computer that is used by said data processing apparatus and has a license server function for issuing a license to at least ~~one of~~ said data processing apparatus ~~and any other of the plurality of computers~~; and

first control means for controlling said display means to display as a visual symbol the license management server computer discriminated by said ~~first~~ <u>second</u> discriminating means such that the license management server computer may be distinguished from ~~one or more of the plurality of~~ computers that <u>do not have the license server function</u> ~~receive the predetermined license from the license management server computer on the display screen.~~

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim [[6]] <u>5</u>, further comprising:

third discriminating means for discriminating, from the plurality of computers, a server device having an image input server function which may be used by said data processing apparatus;

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~~third~~ <u>second</u> control means for controlling the server device discriminated

by said third discriminating means such that the server device may be identified from other

devices on the display screen;

selecting means for selecting a symbol on the display screen; and

service supplying means for supplying a common service to each of ~~the~~ <u>a</u>

<u>plurality of</u> licensee computers to which the license has been issued from the license

management server computer, when the license management server computer and the

server device have been selected by said selecting means.

8. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the

common service which is supplied by said service supplying means includes a distribution

service for distributing a same data to each of the licensee computers.

9. (Currently Amended) A data processing method in a data processing

apparatus that ~~is adapted to~~ communicate<u>s</u> data through a network to each of a plurality of

computers and a plurality of peripheral devices connected to the network, comprising:

a display step of displaying the plurality of computers and the plurality of

peripheral devices as symbol information, respectively, on a display screen;

a first discriminating step of discriminating, from the plurality of computers,

<u>at least one computer that has a server function;</u>

<u>a second discrimination step of discriminating, from the at least one</u>

<u>computer discriminated by the first discriminating step,</u> a license management server

computer that is used by said data processing apparatus and has a license server function

for issuing a predetermined license to at least ~~one of~~ the data processing apparatus ~~and any other of the plurality of computers~~; and

a first control step of controlling the display step to display as a visual symbol the license management server computer discriminated in said ~~first~~ <u>second</u> discriminating step such that the license management server computer may be distinguished from ~~one or more of the plurality of~~ computers that <u>do not have the license server function</u> ~~receive the predetermined license from the license management server computer on the display screen~~.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim [[10]] <u>9</u>, further comprising:

a third discriminating step of discriminating, from the plurality of computers, a server device having an image input server function which may be used by the data processing apparatus;

a ~~third~~ <u>second</u> control step of controlling the server device discriminated in said third discriminating step such that the server device may be identified from other devices on the display screen;

a selecting step of selecting a symbol on the display screen; and

a service supplying step of supplying a common service to each of ~~the~~ <u>a</u> <u>plurality of</u> licensee computers to which the predetermined license has been issued from the license management server computer, when the license management server computer and the server device have been selected in said selecting step.

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12. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 11, wherein the common service which is supplied in said service supplying step includes a distribution service for distributing a same data to each of the licensee computers.

13. (Currently Amended) A data processing method in a data processing apparatus that is adapted to communicates data through a network to each of a plurality of computers and a plurality of peripheral devices connected to the network, comprising:

a display step of displaying the plurality of computers and the plurality of peripheral devices, respectively, on a display screen;

a first discriminating step of discriminating, from the plurality of computers, at least one computer that has a server function;

a second discriminating step of discriminating, from the at least one computer discriminated by the first discriminating step, a license management server computer that is used by said data processing apparatus and has a license server function for issuing a license to at least one of the data processing apparatus and any other of the plurality of computers; and

a first control step of controlling said display step to display as a visual symbol the license management server computer discriminated in said first second discriminating step such that the license management server computer may be distinguished form one or more of the plurality of from computers that do not have th license server function receive the predetermined license from the license management server computer on the display screen.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim [[14]] 13, further comprising:

a third discriminating step of discriminating, from the plurality of computers, a server device having an image input server function which may be used by the data processing apparatus;

a ~~third~~ second control step of controlling the server device discriminated in said third discriminating step such that the server device may be identified from other devices on the display screen;

a selecting step of selecting a symbol on the display screen; and

a service supplying step of supplying a common service to each of ~~the~~ a plurality of licensee computers to which the license has been issued from the license management server computer, when the license management server computer and the server device have been selected in said selecting step.

16. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 15, wherein the common service which is supplied in said service supplying step includes a distribution service for distributing a same data to each of the licensee computers.

17. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a computer program which may be executed by a computer of a data processing apparatus that ~~is adapted to~~ communicates data through a network to each of a plurality of computers and a plurality of peripheral devices connected to the network, wherein the computer program implements a data processing method of the data processing apparatus, the method comprising:

a display step of displaying the plurality of computers and the plurality of peripheral devices as symbol information, respectively, on a display screen;

a first discriminating step of discriminating, from the plurality of computers, at least one computer that has a server function;

a second discriminating step of discriminating, from the at least one computer discriminated by the first discriminating step, a license management server computer that is used by said data processing apparatus and has a license server function for issuing a predetermined license to at least one of the data processing apparatus and any other of the plurality of computers; and

a first control step of controlling said display step to display as a visual symbol the license management server computer discriminated in said first second discriminating step such that the license management server computer may be distinguished from one or more of the plurality of computers that do not have the license server function receive the predetermined license from the license management server computer on the display screen.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Currently Amended) A medium according to claim [[18]] 17, wherein the method further comprises:

a third discriminating step of discriminating, from the plurality of computers, a server device having an image input server function which may be used by the data processing apparatus;

a ~~third~~ <u>second</u> control step of controlling the server device discriminated in

said third discriminating step such that the server device may be identified from other

devices on the display screen;

a selecting step of selecting a symbol on the display screen; and

a service supplying step of supplying a common service to each of ~~the~~ <u>a</u>

<u>plurality of</u> licensee computers to which the predetermined license has been issued from

the license management server computer, when the license management server computer

and the server device have been selected in said selecting step.

20. (Previously Presented) A medium according to claim 19, wherein the

common service which is supplied in said service supplying step includes a distribution

service for distributing a same data to each of the licensee computers.

21. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a

computer program which may be executed by a computer of a data processing apparatus

that ~~is adapted to~~ communicate<u>s</u> data through a network to each of a plurality of computers

and a plurality of peripheral devices connected to the network, wherein the computer

program implements a data processing method of the data processing apparatus, the

method comprising:

a display step of displaying the plurality of computers and the plurality of

peripheral devices, respectively, on a display screen;

a first discriminating step of discriminating, from the plurality of computers,

<u>at least on computer that has a server function;</u>

a second discriminating step of discriminating, from the at least one computer discriminated by the first discriminating step, a license management server computer that is used by said data processing apparatus and has a license server function for issuing a license to at least ~~one of~~ the data processing apparatus ~~and any other of the plurality of computers~~; and

a first control step of controlling said display step to display as a visual symbol the license management server computer discriminated in said ~~first~~ second discriminating step such that the license management server computer may be distinguished from ~~one or more of the plurality of~~ computers that do not have the license server function ~~receive the predetermined license from the license management server computer on the display screen~~.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently Amended) A medium according to claim [[22]] 21, wherein the method further comprises:

a third discriminating step of discriminating, from the plurality of computers, a server device having an image input server function which may be used by the data processing apparatus;

a ~~third~~ second control step of controlling the server device discriminated in said third discriminating step such that the server device may be identified from other devices on the display screen;

a selecting step of selecting a symbol on the display screen; and

a service supplying step of supplying a common service to each of ~~the~~ <u>a</u> <u>plurality of</u> licensee computers to which the license has been issued from the license management server computer, when the license management server computer and the server device have been selected in said selecting step.

24. (Previously Presented) A medium according to claim 23, wherein the common service which is supplied in said service supplying step includes a distribution service for distributing a same data to each of the licensee computers.